PRO-LIFE PARISH LIFE

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Dear Parish Pro-Life Rep,

CONSULTATION ON DIY HOME ABORTION

Early in the COVID pandemic, Scottish Government changed the abortion regulations allowing 'DIY' home abortions <u>without</u> a face to face doctor's appointment. England made similar changes and now <u>2 women have died</u>. Also in England, a woman at 32 weeks of pregnancy received abortion pills by post and there are now 3 police investigations linked to late 'at-home' abortions, <u>including a murder investigation</u>. It seems only a matter of time before this happens in Scotland

Yes, <u>despite the clear dangers</u>, Scottish Government has launched a <u>consultation</u> to try and make 'DIY' abortion at home permanent. BPAS, the English abortion provider, is already <u>buying social</u> <u>media advertisements</u> to find 'evidence' in favour of abortions under the new, unsafe, regime.

So it's vital that <u>many pro-life voices</u> are part of the response. If we don't speak up, Scottish Government will make this dangerous process permanent

The good news is that the consultation has just 7 questions. But where to start and what to say? If you don't answer the questions properly your response won't count

On Tuesday, 24th November at 7.30pm I'm running a Zoom session to cover all the questions and the best points to make. You can fill in your response as we go so you'll be ready to submit by the end of the consultation. Could you please add the paragraph below to your parish newsletter and social media pages for Sundays 15th & 22nd November:



DIY Home Abortion: Make Your Voice Heard – Scottish Government wants your opinion on dangerous 'DIY' home abortions. Join Paul Atkin from the Archdiocesan Pro-Life Office and learn how to make an effective response. It's vital that pro-life voices are part of this conversation. Zoom session on Tuesday, 24th November at 7.30pm. Advance registration here: is.gd/X64NWn

Stand with Poland

Europe has so much to thank Poland for – particularly when standing up for unborn children and their mothers. Poland has now banned abortion for disabled children protecting people with Downs syndrome and other disabilities. If you'd like to show solidarity with Poland please consider signing this petition: https://spuc.org.uk/Get-Involved/Campaigns/Send-Message-to-Polish-Government



GOOD NEWS THIS MONTH

Holy Innocents Mass – THANKS for your prayers. The Holy Innocents Mass is **ON AS PLANNED – 28th December, 12 noon**. We've moved it to St Columba's, Newington, just down the road from our usual location at the Gillis centre. More details next month!